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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please find below a complete listing of the claims in the application, including their status as effected by the present amendment:

- 1. (currently amended) A system for analyzing network traffic comprising:
 - a plurality of subscriber units and a default router [[default router]] interconnected by a
 <u>first</u> network, said <u>first</u> network operable to direct routed traffic to an appropriate
 subscriber unit and further operable to direct unrouted traffic to said default router
 [[default route generator]]; and
 - an analyzer connected to said default router [[default-router]] for determining a misconfiguration of a network routing table in a second network adjacent to said first network based on patterns of activity within said unrouted traffic.
- 2. (cancelled)
- 3. (cancelled)
- 4. (currently amended) The system according to claim [[3]] 1, wherein said misconfiguration [[is-a]] results [[of]] in said second network routing traffic to a third network adjacent said first network via said first network.
- 5. (currently amended) The system according to claim [[3]] 1, wherein said misconfiguration is a breach of a service contract between an operator of said <u>first</u> network and an operator of said second network.
- 6. (original) The system according to claim 5 further comprising a means for assessing a penalty against an operator of said second network, said penalty corresponding to said breach of contract.
- 7. (cancelled)
- 8. (cancelled)

- 9. (cancelled)
- 10. (cancelled)
- 11. (original) The system according to claim 1 further comprising a honey pot connected to said analyzer for responding to said unrouted traffic.
- 12. (original) The system according to claim 11 wherein said honey pot is operable to permit itself to be infected with a malicious code associated with said unrouted traffic.
- 13. (currently amended) The system according to claim 12 wherein said honey pot includes a malicious code scanner for identifying said malicious code once said honey pot [[eomputer]] is infected.
- 14. (cancelled)
- 15. (cancelled)
- 16. (original) The system according to claim 15 further comprising a means for charging a fee to a subscriber associated with said one of said subscriber units.
- 17. (original) The system according to claim 1 further comprising a means for providing said analyzer with updated definitions of known patterns of malicious traffic.
- 18. (currently amended) A traffic analyzer comprising:
 - an interface for connecting to a <u>first</u> network, said network operable to interconnect a
 plurality of subscriber units, said <u>first</u> network further operable to direct routed traffic
 to an appropriate subscriber unit and further operable to direct unrouted traffic to said
 interface; and,
 - a processing means connected to said interface, said processing means operable to determine a misconfiguration of a network routing table in a second network adjacent to said first network based on patterns of activity within said unrouted traffic.

- 19. (cancelled)
- 20. (cancelled)
- 21. (currently amended) The analyzer according to claim [[20]] 18, wherein said misconfiguration [[is-a]] results [[of]] in said second network routing traffic to a third network adjacent said first network via said first network.
- 22. (currently amended) The analyzer according to claim [[20]] 18, wherein said misconfiguration is a breach of a service contract between an operator of said first network and an operator of said second network.
- 23. (cancelled)
- 24. (cancelled)
- 25. (cancelled)
- 26. (cancelled)
- 27. (original) The analyzer according to claim 18 further comprising a honey pot connected to interface analyzer for responding to said unrouted traffic.
- 28. (original) The analyzer according to claim 27 wherein said honey pot is operable to permit itself to be infected with a malicious code associated with said unrouted traffic.
- 29. (currently amended) The analyzer according to claim 28, wherein said honey pot includes a malicious code scanner for identifying said malicious code once said honey pot [[eomputer]] is infected.
- 30. (cancelled)

31. (cancelled)

32. (original) The analyzer according to claim 18 further comprising a means for providing said analyzer with updated definitions of known patterns of malicious traffic.

33. (currently amended) The analyzer according to claim 18 wherein said interface is a default router operable to instruct a routing table associated with said <u>first</u> network to deliver unrouted traffic to said default router [[generater]].

34. (cancelled)

35. (cancelled)

36. (cancelled)

37. (currently amended) A method of analyzing traffic in a <u>first</u> network comprising the steps of:

- receiving traffic from at least one of a plurality of subscriber units interconnected by said first network;
- delivering said traffic to a destination subscriber unit if said traffic is routed;
- analyzing said traffic to determine a misconfiguration of a network routing table in a second network adjacent to said first network based on [[fer]] patterns of activity in said traffic if said traffic is unrouted.

38. (cancelled)

39. (cancelled)

- 40. (currently amended) The method according to claim [[39]] 37, wherein said misconfiguration [[is-a]] results [[of]] in said second network routing traffic to a third network adjacent said first network via said first network.
- 41. (currently amended) The method according to claim [[39]] 37, wherein said

misconfiguration is a breach of a service contract between an operator of said <u>first</u> network and an operator of said second network.

42. (original) The method according to claim 41 further comprising the step of assessing a penalty against an operator of said second network, said penalty corresponding to said breach of contract.

- 43. (cancelled)
- 44. (cancelled)
- 45. (cancelled)
- 46. (cancelled)
- 47. (original) The method according to claim 37 further comprising the step of responding to said unrouted traffic.
- 48. (currently amended) The method according to claim 47_a further comprising the step of permitting an infection in a honey pot computer of a malicious code [[in]] associated with said unrouted traffic.
- 49. (currently amended) The method according to claim 48 further comprising the step of, after said permitting step, scanning said honeypot computer to identify said malicious code [[once]].
- 50. (cancelled)
- 51. (cancelled)
- 52. (original) The method according to claim 51 further comprising the step of charging a fee to a subscriber associated with said one of said subscriber units.

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53. (original) The method according to claim 37 further comprising the step of providing updated definitions of known patterns of malicious traffic.

- 54. (cancelled)
- 55. (cancelled)
- 56. (cancelled)
- 57. (currently amended) A system for analyzing network traffic comprising:
 - a first network;
 - a plurality of subscriber units connected to said first network;
 - a default router connected to said first network;
 - a network router for directing traffic that is: addressed to one of said subscriber units to
 a corresponding said subscriber unit; and unaddressed to any said subscriber unit to
 said default router [[generator]];
 - an analyzer connected to said default router for determining a misconfiguration of a
 network routing table in a second network adjacent to said first network based on
 patterns of activity within traffic directed to said default router [[generator]].
- 58. (cancelled)